



SONOMA COUNTY WATER AGENCY

Smart Irrigation Controller Rebate Program Rules

for Business with Large Landscapes



A weather-based irrigation controller, or Smart Controller, is an effective technology for reducing water usage outdoors, replacing the standard automatic timer that controls landscape sprinkler systems. Unlike a standard automatic timer that turns on the water at set intervals regardless of plant needs, a Smart Controller uses weather data and site information such as plant type and sprinkler system output to adjust watering times and frequency. This provides more efficient watering, reduces water run-off and improves the health of your landscape.

This technology is more expensive than the standard equipment found in most irrigation systems today. In order to make this technology more accessible, the Sonoma County Water Agency and your water provider have partnered to provide a cash rebate for the purchase of a Smart Controller. A limited number of rebates are available on a first-come, first-serve basis through December 31, 2006 while funding lasts.

Minimum Requirements:

- Fully operational in-ground irrigation system operated by an automatic sprinkler timer
- At least 13 or 25 active stations (see table)
- Be a dedicated irrigation water customer of:
 - City of Rohnert Park
 - City of Sonoma
- Agree to release historical and future water usage data for statistical purposes
- Onsite pre- and post-installation verification
- Smart Controller must be installed and operational at the installation site for at least two (2) years
- Purchase and install a qualified Smart Controller with a minimum of 5 years pre-paid signaling fees
- Install a rain sensor with the Smart Controller

13 to 24 active stations	25 or more active stations
At least 30,000sqft of automatically irrigated landscape (turf and non-turf)	At least 60,000sqft of automatically irrigated landscape (turf and non-turf)
At least 15,000sqft of well maintained, automatically irrigated turf grass	At least 30,000sqft of well maintained, automatically irrigated turf grass
Rebate Amount (Hardware Only)	
50% rebate on the purchase price of the qualified controller <u>up to</u> \$700	50% rebate on the purchase price of the qualified controller <u>up to</u> \$1,100

How to Participate:

1. Confirm eligibility by setting up a pre-installation verification through the free landscape audit program. Call (707) 547-1918 for more information and to schedule an appointment.
2. Complete and sign the rebate application form.
3. Purchase and install a qualifying Smart Irrigation Controller (see list of qualifying models).
4. Arrange an onsite post-installation verification by calling (707) 547-1918.
5. Submit the completed application and a copy of the purchase invoice(s)/receipt(s) to the representative during your verification appointment.
6. Please allow 6 to 8 weeks after your verification appointment for the rebate check to arrive.



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This technology is more expensive than the standard equipment found in most homes today. In order to make this technology more accessible, the Sonoma County Water Agency and your water provider have partnered to provide a combined cash rebate of up to \$450 for the purchase of a Smart Controller and associated signal fees. A limited number of rebates are available on a first-come, first-serve basis through March 31, 2007 while funding lasts.

Minimum Requirements:

- Fully operational in-ground irrigation system operated by an automatic sprinkler timer
- At least 1,500sqft of automatically irrigated landscaping
- At least 500sqft of well maintained, automatically irrigated turf grass
- Be a residential water customer of:
 - City of Rohnert Park
 - City of Sonoma
- Agree to release historical and future water usage data for statistical purposes
- Onsite pre- and post-installation verification
- Smart Controller must be installed and operational at the installation site for at least two (2) years
- Purchase and install a qualified Smart Controller with a minimum of 5 years pre-paid signaling fees

Rebate Amount:

50% rebate on the purchase price of the qualified controller up to \$300.

PLUS

100% rebate on the purchase price of 5 years pre-paid signaling fees up to \$150. Service must be pre-paid for a minimum of 5 years from the start of service.

How to Participate:

1. Confirm eligibility by setting up a pre-installation verification through the free *Water Smart Home Program* – Call (707) 547-1910 for more information and to schedule an appointment.
2. Complete and sign the rebate application form.
3. Purchase and install a qualifying Smart Irrigation Controller (see list of qualifying models).
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Customer Number



Property Owner Information			For Office Use Only
Business/Building Name			Appointment Date/Time:
Address			Cross Street
City	Zip Code	Phone	Arrival Time / Departure Time
Contact Name (first, last)			No Show / Cancellation / Rescheduled
Mailing Address (if different)			Advisor
City	Zip Code	Phone	Special Requests / Notes / Instructions
Type of Building Use (office, retail, warehouse, etc.)	Year Constructed	Years at Site	
Water Provider	Water Account Number		
Total Lot Area	Total Irrigated Area		Landscape Health <input type="checkbox"/> Above Avg <input type="checkbox"/> Average <input type="checkbox"/> Below Avg
Total Irrigated Turf Area	Total Irrigated Non-Turf Area		Landscape Audit Information

Form ET-Bus 100506

Smart Irrigation Controller Information	
Make	Purchase Price \$
Model	Signaling Service Period <input type="checkbox"/> 5 years (minimum)
Serial Number	Signaling Fee Paid \$
Installation (Who installed the controller?) Check one. <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Professional <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Number of Active Stations
Smart Controller Programming (Who programmed the controller?) Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Professional <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	Rain Sensor Make/Model

I am the owner of the above described property. In exchange for rebating to me certain costs specified in the Smart Irrigation Controller Program Rules, I agree to install, maintain, and manage the use of the Smart Irrigation Controller (Smart Controller) for a minimum of two (2) years. During this two-year period, I agree to allow Sonoma County Water Agency and Water Provider staff to monitor my water usage through billing data. I also give the Sonoma County Water Agency and Water Provider permission to enter and to be on my property for the purpose of conducting the mandatory installation verification and reviewing and/or modifying the Smart Controller programming. I agree that participation in this program does not exempt me from any water use ordinances that may become or are already in effect, including imposed landscape watering restrictions during periods of drought. I, the property owner am responsible for complying with all ordinances and restrictions.

I agree on behalf of myself, and my heirs, executors, legal representatives, and assigns, to release, defend, indemnify, protect, and hold harmless the Sonoma County Water Agency (SCWA) and Water Provider, their agents, officers, and employees, from and against any and all costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, and all claims asserted or liability established for costs or expenses including attorneys' fees, and/or damages or injuries to any persons or property, or from conditions on my property arising out of or in connection with the Smart Irrigation Controller Rebate Program; provided, however, that my duty to indemnify and hold harmless shall not include any liability arising from the established sole negligence or willful misconduct of SCWA or Water Provider, their agents, officers or employees, in performing the above described work or services for me.

I agree that SCWA and Water Provider have the right to deny any application for the following two reasons: (1) SCWA and/or Water Provider lack sufficient funds to honor the rebate, or (2) the rebate application does not meet all program requirements as specified in the Rebate Program Rules. I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions above and as specified in the Program Rules in the program description included as part of this application.

Name (Print)

Signature

Date